

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-13 (Canceled).

14. (New) A data communication terminal for carrying out data communication using a communication network in which accounting is made according to a data amount, the terminal comprising:

5 means for recognizing a start and an end of transmission/reception of a set of objective data to be transmitted/received;

means for measuring a transmitted/received data amount from the start to the end of transmission/reception of the set of
10 objective data;

means for judging whether the transmitted/received data amount measured by the measuring means has reached a data amount specified for the set of objective data;

means for, when it is judged by the judging means that the
15 transmitted/received data amount has reached the data amount specified for the set of objective data, warning a user that the transmitted/received data amount has reached the specified data amount; and

means for, when it is judged by the judging means that the
20 transmitted/received data amount has reached the data amount

specified for the set of objective data, temporarily suspending the transmission/reception of the set of objective data, receiving from the user an instruction to resume or terminate the transmission/reception of the set of objective data, and resuming or terminating transmission/reception of the set of objective data in accordance with the received instruction.

15. (New) The terminal according to claim 14, wherein the set of objective data to be transmitted/received comprises plural packets to be transmitted/received continuously in accordance with an instruction from the user.

16. (New) The terminal according to claim 14, further comprising means for optionally setting an upper limit value of the data amount with which the set of objective data to be transmitted/received can be transmitted/received continuously, wherein when the transmitted/received data amount reaches the set upper limit value, the judging means judges that the transmitted/received data amount has reached the data amount specified for the set of objective data.

17. (New) The terminal according to claim 16, wherein when transmission/reception of data is resumed after it is judged by the judging means that the transmitted/received data amount has

reached the data amount specified for the set of objective data,
5 the upper limit value of the data amount with which the set of
objective data to be transmitted/received can be transmitted/
received continuously is temporarily increased.

18. (New) The terminal according to claim 14, further
comprising:

means for calculating a communication charge according to
the transmitted/received data amount; and

5 upper limit setting means for optionally setting an upper
limit value of the communication charge;

wherein the judging means judges whether the transmitted/
received data amount has reached the data amount specified for
the set of objective data by judging whether the communication
10 charge calculated by the calculating means has reached the upper
limit value of the communication charge.

19. (New) The terminal according to claim 18, further
comprising unit charge setting means for optionally setting a
communication charge per unit data amount;

5 wherein the calculating means calculates the communication
charge according to the transmitted/received data amount based on
the set communication charge per unit data amount.

20. (New) A data communication terminal comprising:

first data communication means for carrying out data communication via a first communication network in which accounting is made according to a transmitted/received data amount;

second data communication means for carrying out data communication via a second communication network in which accounting is made according to a connection time;

first calculating means for calculating a communication charge according to the transmitted/received data amount of the data communication carried out by the first data communication means;

second calculating means for calculating a communication charge according to the connection time of the data communication carried out by the second data communication means;

limit amount setting means for setting a communication charge limit amount for a set of objective data to be transmitted/received;

selected communication means for selecting one of the first data communication means and the second data communication means to carry out data communication;

judging means for selecting one of the first and second calculating means to calculate the communication charge for the data communication carried out by the selected one of the first

25 and second data communication means, and for judging whether the
calculated communication charge has reached the communication
charge limit amount; and

warning means for, when it is judged by the judging means
that the calculated communication charge has reached the
30 communication charge limit amount, warning a user that the
communication charge has reached the communication charge limit
amount.

21. (New) The terminal according to claim 20, wherein when
the communication charge calculated by the judging means has
reached the limit amount communication charge, the data
communication is temporarily suspended to wait for an instruction
5 from the user if the data communication is carried out by the
first communication means, and the data communication is
immediately terminated if the data communication is carried out
by the second communication means.

22. (New) A computer-readable recording medium having
stored thereon a program for controlling a computer of a data
communication terminal, which carries out data communication
using a communication network in which accounting is made
5 according to a data amount, to carry out functions of:

recognizing a start and an end of transmission/reception of a set of objective data to be transmitted/received;

measuring a transmitted/received data amount from the start to the end of transmission/reception of the set of objective data;

judging whether the measured transmitted/received data amount has reached a data amount specified for the set of objective data;

when it is judged that the transmitted/received data amount has reached the data amount specified for the set of objective data, warning a user that the transmitted/received data amount has reached the specified data amount; and

when it is judged that the transmitted/received data amount has reached the data amount specified for the set of objective data, temporarily suspending the transmission/reception of the set of objective data, receiving from the user an instruction to resume or terminate the transmission/reception of the set of objective data, and resuming or terminating transmission/reception of the set of objective data in accordance with the received instruction.

23. (New) A computer-readable recording medium having stored thereon a program for controlling a computer of a data communication terminal, which carries out data communication

using one of a first communication network in which accounting is
5 made according to a transmitted/received data amount and a second
communication network in which accounting is made according to a
connection time, to carry out functions of:

setting a communication charge limit amount for a set of
objective data to be transmitted/received;

10 selecting one of the first data communication network and
the second data communication network to carry out data
communication;

calculating a communication charge of the data communication
carried out by the selected one of the first and second data
15 communication networks;

judging whether the calculated communication charge has
reached the communication charge limit amount; and

when it is judged by the judging means that the calculated
communication charge has reached the communication charge limit
20 amount, warning a user that the communication charge has reached
the communication charge limit amount.